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## Faculty Newsletter Spring/Summer 2007

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Summertime—the word brings to mind images of sun, sand, surf, cookouts, and late, starry nights. Even though summertime is a more relaxed time of year, we know that many of you will be working on your scholarship in addition to working on a tan, reading thick beach books, and trying to exorcise all memories of winter. Please do not be strangers to the Law Library during the summer.

Please enjoy this summer newsletter from the Law Library; there is an article about our newest E&R Legal Information Librarian, Karen Breda, and news about Professor Dan Coquillette's most recent gift to the Law Library's Coquillette Rare Book Room—a magnificent collection of Francis Bacon's works and Baconiana. The newsletter has a number of other interesting pieces of information; be sure to take a look at the article on one of the Law Library's newest acquisitions, the microfiche set of English legal manuscripts dating from 1500 that is edited by John Baker. The set is drawn from the collections of Harvard, Lincoln's Inn, Bodleian Library, Yale, and others, so please take a look. We hope to see you around.

Peace, Filippa



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### Research – Updates on LexisNexis and Westlaw Features



New features are added to LexisNexis and Westlaw throughout the academic year. The summer lull after classes end offers a good opportunity to catch up with the latest developments for each vendor. This year, the Law Library will be hosting separate LexisNexis and Westlaw presentations to bring you up to speed on these developments. We will time the presentations to coincide with faculty brown-bag lunch talk days; you can attend the vendor presentation before meeting with your colleagues to discuss their works in progress. We hope to see many of you at these research sessions; no RSVP is necessary.

- Westlaw update session: Thurs., June 28 from 10:45-11:45 in Law Library 253
- LexisNexis update session: Thurs., July 19 from 10:45-11:45 in Law Library 253

If you have a specific question concerning LexisNexis or Westlaw research, please contact the Library's

## Welcome to Karen Breda, our new Legal Information Librarian!



With great enthusiasm, we welcome Karen Breda as a full-time Librarian at the Law Library. Karen is not new to us; she has worked here part-time since 2003 and has used her expertise to help numerous students and faculty with their research during our daytime and evening hours, in addition to teaching LRR&W. Well, we liked her so much that we decided to make her full-time!


For more about Karen, click [here](#).

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## Electronic Journals at Boston College

When you are looking for an online resource, remember to check Quest, the Boston College Libraries Catalog. In many instances Quest provides links to electronic information from more sources than a simple web search or a search of Lexis or Westlaw can provide. Law Library and University Libraries licenses with commercial vendors provide us access to historical and current journals in many fields including law.



Use the  [Check Online Availability](#) link in the catalog record to identify online options including years of coverage through particular vendors. Even off campus you can access most subscription databases when you use your BC Username and PIN to sign in through the BC Proxy server.

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## New Resource: Early English Legal Manuscripts

The library just acquired a large microfiche set of English legal manuscripts dating from 1500. Edited by John Baker, the set contains more than 7,000 fiches and includes full-text collections of manuscript year books, reports of cases, readings and moots, drawn from the collections of Harvard, Lincoln's Inn, Bodleian Library, Yale, and others. The set is located in the Microform Room in cabinet 19C, drawers 1-3; a printed guide is available in the Microform Room to help you find what you are looking for (call# KD502 .E64), or you can see it on the web at [http://www.idcpublishers.com/pdf/119\\_guide.pdf](http://www.idcpublishers.com/pdf/119_guide.pdf). We hope you enjoy this terrific new resource!



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## New in the Rare Book Room...

Professor Coquillette Donates His Francis Bacon Collection to the Law Library

Professor Coquillette has donated his magnificent collection of rare books by and about Sir Francis Bacon to the Boston College Law Library. The collection of approximately 80 titles is one of the largest and finest collections of Bacon's works and Baconiana (works about Bacon) in private hands. The collection encompasses the entire range of Bacon's writings, from legal writings to literary essays to histories to scientific and philosophical works to his letters and speeches. [\[more about the exhibit\]](#).

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